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USE OF HOP ACIDS TO INHIBIT GROWTH OF

STAPHYLOCOCCUS AUREUS AND PREVENT

TOXIC SHOCK SYNDROME

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed on May 27, 2003. Attached is a request for a one month extension of time to extend the deadline to Monday, September 29, 2003 as September 27, 2003 falls on a Saturday. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.